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Title: SITU METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR BIODEGRADATION OF ALKYL ETHERS AND TERTIARY BUTYL ALCOHOL

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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**  
**UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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1. ☒ This application is a(n):
- a. ☐ Original
- b. ☐ Continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_
- c. ☐ Divisional of Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Applicant(s) elect the invention of Group/Species \_\_\_\_\_
- d. ☒ Continuation of Application Serial No. 10/303,632 filed November 25, 2002
2. ☒ Specification
- a. ☒ Pages 34
- b. ☒ Drawings, Total sheets 9
3. ☒ Oath or Declaration
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application  
☐ Please delete the following named inventors in the prior application: \_\_\_\_\_
4. ☒ Please amend the specification
- a. ☒ By inserting before the first line:  
This is a ☒ continuation ☐ division ☐ continuation-in-part of Application of co-pending application Serial No. 10/303,632 filed November 25, 2002, which is a division of application Serial No. 09/549,981 filed April 14, 2000, the entire disclosure of both applications are hereby incorporated by reference
- b. ☐ By inserting before the first line:  
This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_, the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference
- c. ☒ Cancel claims 1-20

The PTO did not receive the following listed item(s) 9 pages of Drawings.

5. ☐ This application claims the benefit of Application Number \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
in \_\_\_\_\_ under 35 U.S.C. § 119, § 365(a), or § 365(b).  
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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

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12. ☒ Accompanying Application Parts

- a. ☐ Recordal of Assignment and Assignment
- b. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449
- c. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- d. ☒ A self-addressed, stamped return receipt postcard to be returned with the filing date and Serial No. thereon
- e. ☐ Certified copy of priority documents

Respectfully submitted,

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